GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ATOMIC ENERGY
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4782
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MINERAL SEPARATION PLANT
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Will the Minister of ATOMIC ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to set up a Mineral Separation Plant at Chavara (Kollam), Kerala; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STATISTIC PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND MINISTI STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SPACE (SHRI S.B. MOOKHERJEE)

(a) & (b) Indian Rare Earths Limited (IREL), National Mineral Development Corporation (NMDC) and Kerala State Industrial Development Corporation (KSIDC) haveentered into a Memorandum of Understanding on 26.12.2002 for exploring the possibility of initially setting up a value addition plan near Chavara in Kerala for production of synthetic rutile based on Ilmenite produced by Chavara Unit of IREL and subsequently an integrated mining, mineral separation and value addition plant.